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Pianist Kalish, Juilliard Quartet Will Perform on April 10-11

Pianist Gilbert Kalish will join the members of the Juilliard String Quartet for performances of Mozart's String Quartet in D minor, K. 421, Beethoven's Sonata in C minor for violin and piano, Op. 30, No. 2, and the Piano Quartet in G minor, Op. 25, by Brahms. These concerts, sponsored by the Gertrude Clarke Whittall Foundation, will take place at 8 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, April 10-11.

The members of the quartet are violinists Robert Mann and Earl Carlyss, violist Samuel Rhodes, and cellist Joel Krosnick. They perform on Stradivari instruments given to the Library by Mrs. Whittall in 1935-36.

Gilbert Kalish is currently artist-in-residence at the State University of New York at Stony Brook, as well as head of keyboard activities at the Berkshire Music Center at Tanglewood. He has long been the pianist for the Contemporary Chamber Ensemble (under the direction of Arthur Weisberg) and also appears regularly with the Boston Symphony Chamber Players. Among his recordings are Haydn's piano sonatas and the Concord Sonata of Charles Ives.

Tickets for these concerts will be distributed beginning at 8:30 a.m., Monday, April 7, at the Patrick Hayes box office, 1330 G St. N.W. (Jordan-Kitt's). Two tickets will be distributed to an individual with a service charge of 25 cents per ticket. Telephone reservations may be made on Monday morning by calling 393-4463.

The concert on Friday evening will be broadcast live by radio station WETA-FM and made available to stations in other cities through the Katie and Walter Louchheim Fund in the Library of Congress.

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Library Issues Aid to Southeast Asian Studies

The Library has recently published a bibliography, *Southeast Asia: Western-Language Periodicals in the Library of Congress.* Prepared by A. K. Rony of the Southern Asia Section, Asian Division, the bibliography is intended as a guide for the patron who wishes to consult the Library's holdings of periodicals containing information on Southeast Asia, including Brunei, Burma, Cambodia, Indochina, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, the Philippines, Portuguese Timor, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam, and on Melanesia and Polynesia. It contains 2,293 entries for titles published both in and outside Southeast Asia, except for mass-communication publications from the United States.

This guide has been designed primarily to accomplish two objectives: to record in one list the holdings of titles in the custody of various units of the Library and to provide access routes to established holdings through subject and other added entries. Although nearly all the Library's periodical holdings are recorded in the Serial Record Division files, a few, especially those of earlier publications, may be located only by consulting the Shelflist Section of the Subject Cataloging Division or the Main Catalog. Since the Serial Record Division reference files are accessible only via telephone inquiry, this publication serves to bring together those records for public use and to provide extensive cross-references and subject access.

Main entries in the bibliography are arranged in a single alphabetical sequence, followed by a subject and issuing-body index which is organized alphabetically by geographic areas. The form of the entries generally follows standard Library of Congress practice; variations are cross-referenced to the established form.

The cutoff date for adding entries and bibliographic information to this publication was December 1974, and it therefore supplies only information which was current at that time.

The published bibliography can be purchased (Stock No. 030-000-00113-3) for $10 from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, or in person only at the Information Counter at the ground floor west entrance of the Library of Congress Building.

Egon Hostovský's Papers Donated to the Library

Regina Hostovský of Millburn, N.J., has donated a collection of papers and documents of her late husband, Czech writer Egon Hostovský (1908-1973), to the Library. During a visit to the Library on February 8, Mrs. Hostovský presented the manuscripts of two novels and several scrapbooks of reviews published in Czech, American, and East European newspapers and magazines as well as other memorabilia to Paul T. Heffron, acting chief, and David Wigdor, twentieth-century specialist, Manuscript Division. The reviews and other newspaper accounts published in Czechoslovakia before the Second World War are especially valuable since most of the periodicals are scarce or unavailable outside Czechoslovakia.

Egon Hostovský, who came to the United States during World War II, returned to Czechoslovakia in 1945 and entered the Czechoslovak diplomatic service. He again became an exile after a few years and spent the last part of his life in the United States, creating literary works which are unique in Czech literature for their insistence on individual liberty combined with an intense longing for refuge and security. Many of Egon Hostovský's novels have been translated into English and other languages. In the Library of Congress, Egon Hostovský's life work is represented by 28 titles.

Mrs. Hostovský was given an extensive tour of the Library by the Czechoslovak specialist in the European Division, George J. Kovtun, and was briefed on the activities of the Manuscript Division by Mr. Wigdor.

Distinguished Guests of The Library During February

From Abroad

Argentina—Maria Elina Pereira, librarian, Buenos Aires, and Ricardo Pereira, lawyer and professor of

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The *Library of Congress Information Bulletin* is issued weekly by the Library of Congress and distributed free of charge to publicly supported libraries and research institutions, academic libraries, learned societies, and allied organizations in the United States.

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Three National Librarians Visit Library of Congress

Chun-Sung Hwang, Wan T. Moon, and Brian Willson

Deputy Librarian Welsh and George Le Rider

Directors of national libraries in Finland, France, and Korea visited the Library recently and were guests on special tours of facilities and operations.

Chun-Sung Hwang, director of the Central National Library of Korea, was welcomed to the Library by Director for Area Studies Warren M. Tsuneishi and was escorted on a tour of the Library of Congress Building by Tour Coordinator Brian Willson. He also toured Processing Services and visited the Asian Division.

Elemer Bako and Esko Hakli

Chun-Sung Hwang, national librarian since July 1979, is a graduate of Korea University. He was accompanied on his visit by Wan T. Moon, escort-interpreter.

Director George Le Rider of the Bibliotheque Nationale was welcomed to the Library by Deputy Librarian William J. Welsh and also toured Library of Congress Building exhibition halls and facilities, including the Computer Catalog Center. In addition to a visit to Processing Services, where he was especially interested in automation, he talked with Library staff members about preservation, cataloging in publication, loan policies, and networking. He was guest of honor at a luncheon in The Librarian's office.

Esko Hakli, librarian at Helsinki University Library, which also serves as the national library of Finland, spent a day at the Library of Congress touring a variety of operations. He was greeted by Deputy Librarian Welsh and Director for Area Studies Tsuneishi and escorted on his tour by Elemer Bako, Finno-Ugrian area specialist in the European Division. In the Newspaper and Current Periodical Room (above), Mr. Hakli examined an article from the May 9, 1751, Virginia Gazette *giving an account of a "Letter from Mr. Kalm, Gentleman of Sweden, on his Travels in America, to his Friend in Philadelphia; containing a particular account of the Great Fall of Niagara. . . ." Mr. Hakli is a frequent lecturer on Finnish naturalist Peter Kalm and the University of Helsinki Library is the cosponsor of an exhibit on Kalm currently being assembled.*

law, Buenos Aires.

Bolivia—Andre Canedo, professor of drama, La Paz University.

Chile—Jaime de Mayo, systems analyst and programmer, University of Chile, Santiago.

Egypt—Mustafa Abbadi, head, Egyptian-American Research Center, and head, Department of Classical Civilization, Alexandria University; Mohamed Nour el-Din Mahmoud Ahmed, director, Documentation Center, Central Agency for Public Mobilization.

England—John Brunton, deputy director, Her Majesty's Stationery Office, London; Peter Smith, deputy director, London and South Eastern Library Region.

Federal Republic of Germany—Ursula Schwarz, German Institute for Foreign Studies, Tübingen University.

Ireland—John Logan, lecturer in history, Thomand College of Education, Limerick.

Japan—Hatsuparo Fujita, head, Law and Politics Section, General Reference and Bibliography Division; Kazuhiko Kitagawa, senior staff member, Economic and Social Science Section; and Kanemitsu Hirose, head, Reader Service Section, all of the National Diet Library; Hideo Sato, National Institute for Educational Research, Tokyo.

Mexico—Jorge Gonzalez Chavez, technical advisor, Ministry of Human Settlement and Public Works, Mexico City; Maria Rosa Garcia, Maria Isabel Sen, and Rosalva Ruiz, U.S. Studies Institute, Center for Economic Research and Education (CIDE); Raul Bejar Navarro, director, National School of Professional Studies and Carmen Cano Gordon, consultant and researcher, National School of Professional Studies, National University of Mexico at Acatlan.

Morocco—Mehdi Benaboud, professor, Division of Psychology and Philosophy, University of Rabat; Abdelkader Lotfi, member of the Moroccan Parliament.

Nigeria—Aliyu Mohammed Gani, senator, Senate of Nigeria; Ifeanyi Chukwunyelu Enechukwu, speaker, Columba Okenwonwe Nnaji, deputy speaker, Ifeanyichukwu Obiekwe, chief whip, and Victor C. Anigekwu, clerk of the house, Anambra State Legislature; a delegation of 15 members of the Nigerian House of Representatives led by Edwin Ume Ezeoke, speaker of the house.

Oman—Sheik Ali Ibrahim Al-Raisy, director general, Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs.

Panama—Graciano Pereira, professor of Roman law, University of Panama.

Paraguay—Silvio Rios, president, Paraguayan Lawyers Association, Asuncion.

People's Republic of China—Shen Daming and Feng Datong, professors, Beijing Institute of Foreign Trade.

Philippines—Celso Carunungan, author, Manila.

Poland—Michal Sprusinski, writer and editor, Warsaw.

Romania—Victor Duculescu, deputy director, Institute of Political Science and the Study of National Problems, Bucharest.

Somalia—Omer Adan Hersi, librarian, Faculty of Agriculture, Somali National University, Mogadiscio.

Uganda—Namirembe Bitzmazire, minister of education, Kampala.

U.S.S.R.—Nodari Alexandrovich Simonia, Institute of Oriental Studies, Academy of Science of the U.S.S.R.

Uruguay—Juan Jose Arteaga Saenz de Zumaran, secretary general, Institute of Philosophy, Science and Letters.

Yemen Arab Republic—Mufti Ahmed Mohamed Zabarah, religious leader.

Zambia—Christopher Chirwa, general manager (publisher), National Education Company of Zambia.

From the United States

Joanne Donovan, documents librarian, University of California, San Diego.

Kathy Granville, librarian, California State University, Chico.

John Graves, cataloger, New York University Library.

Martha Moss, Westchester Library System, Mt. Vernon, N.Y.

Regina Schaiewitz, Mt. Vernon (N.Y.) Public Library.

A Few of the Visitors Expected in April

Eigel Balling, Biblioteksentralen, Ballerup, Denmark.

Mary Elizabeth Clack, serial records librarian, Widener Library, Harvard University.

Helen Hymans, Helston Public Library, Cornwall, England.

Woon Tai Kim, director, Seoul National University Library, Korea.

Mariam Lease, cataloging librarian, Northwestern University Library.

Pat McAdam, head, Reference Department, Arcadia (Calif.) Public Library.

Kyllikki Ruokonen, Helsinki School of Economics Library, Finland.

Ronald H. Smith, head, Restoration and Bookbinding Department, University of Birmingham Library, England.

F. N. Teskey, AERE Harwell, Oxfordshire, England.

Fares Khalil Wahba and Ali Talaat Wassfy, Arab Book Development Centre, General Egyptian Book Organization.

STAFF NEWS

Thomas E. Gwinn Retires

Thomas E. Gwinn, head of the Loan Division's Congressional Liaison Section, known as the Capitol Station, retired on February 29. His numerous friends and colleagues from the Library and Capitol Hill gathered at a reception in the Whittall Pavilion honoring Mr. Gwinn's four decades of service to the U.S. Government, chiefly spent in various capacities in the Library's Loan Division, and particularly his decade and a half of service in the Capitol Station.

The Librarian presents Thomas E. Gwinn with a Superior Service Award as Elizabeth Stroup (left) and Mrs. Gwinn (far right) look on.

Shown receiving a print of the "Main Reading Room" is Mr. Gwinn (center); left to right are Mr. McDonald, Mr. Obear, and Mr. MacConomy.

Elizabeth F. Stroup, director for general reference, summarized the highlights of Mr. Gwinn's Library career, which began, according to a letter of November 4, 1940, from Library buildings superintendent W. C. Bond, with the offer of "a trial appointment as a checkboy." Except for service with the U.S. Army in 1946-48 and in the Copyright Office in 1964-66, all Mr. Gwinn's Library career since 1944 has been spent in the Loan Division.

Legislative Liaison Officer Adoreen McCormick transmitted to Mr. Gwinn letters of commendation from Speaker of the House Thomas P. O'Neill and Senate Majority Leader Robert C. Byrd, and Librarian of Congress Daniel J. Boorstin presented him the Library's Superior Service Award for, according to the citation, "your many years of exemplary and dedicated service to the Library and to the Congress, for your invariable cordiality and responsiveness to the demands your position steadily placed upon you, and for your significant amicus curiae role on behalf of the Library." Assistant Librarian for Research Services John C. Broderick highlighted his remarks with words of praise for Mr. Gwinn's success as "amicus curiae"—friend of the Congress if one translates the phrase with the original meaning of *curia* as "meeting place of the Senate at Rome."

Legare H. B. Obear, former chief of the Loan Division, presented Mr. Gwinn his retirement certificate. Mr. Obear was joined by Jack McDonald, Jr., also a former Loan Division chief and now chief of the Library Services Division, and Edward N. MacConomy, current acting chief of the Loan Division, in the presentation of a gift to Mr. Gwinn from his friends and colleagues—a framed print of Paul Boswell's "Main Reading Room."

Present for the occasion were Mr. Gwinn's wife Dorothy, long a staff member of Rep. Mark Andrews of North Dakota, who was also present, the Gwinn's son Dennis, daughter Ann, and Thomas E., Jr., and his wife Diana.

Edmund C. Jann Retires

Edmund C. Jann, chief of the European Law Division, retired from the Library of Congress at the end of the year. Mr. Jann, who joined the staff of the Law Library in August 1939, was presented with his 40-year Federal Service Award pin last August. The festivities marking this event and an account of his career at the Library of Congress were reported in the September 14 issue of the *Library of Congress Information Bulletin* (in "Staff News").

Louise DeVaughn's Retirement Concludes Long Federal Career

Louise C. DeVaughn, division secretary for the American-British Law Division, retired on February 29, having completed 35 years of Federal service.

Her Federal career began in January 1942 with the Office of Inter-American Affairs where she served for four years. In February 1949, she joined the Library staff as a general clerk in the Music Section of the Copyright Office. Following 13 years in that office, she transferred to the Law Library where she first was administrative secretary in the Office of the Law Librarian and then transferred to the American-British Law Division.

During her career, she received several commendations, including an Outstanding Performance Rating and quality increase in April 1971. On February 28, Mrs. DeVaughn was the guest of the secretaries of the Law Library at a luncheon. The entire Law Library staff held an informal reception in her honor on February 29.

Fritz T. Epstein, Former Staff Member, Dies

The death of Fritz T. Epstein in Behlingen in West Germany on December 6 marked the end of a long and distinguished career of a scholar who made a substantial contribution to the Library as U.S.S.R. and Central European area specialist between 1952 and 1960.

Born in Germany in 1898, Mr. Epstein served in World War I and was about to enter a promising career in Russian history at Frankfurt University in 1934 when he had to flee Germany and begin a migratory existence perhaps unparalleled in modern scholarship. He lectured in London (1934-36), held an appointment at Harvard (1937-43), did intelligence research in the Office of Strategic Services and the Department of State (1944-46), served with the German War Documents Project (1946-48), and was curator at the Hoover Library (1948-51) before coming to the Library of Congress. After leaving the Library in 1960, he taught at Indiana University until 1969. In addition he directed the German Documents Project in Alexandria, Va., lectured at American University, served as editor of the *American Bibliography of Russian and East European Studies*, as section editor of the *American Historical Review*, and as acting editor of the publications project of German diplomatic documents. He also taught at the Free University of Berlin, as well as at Bonn, Hamburg, and Freiburg universities, finally being appointed professor emeritus at Frankfurt University in recognition of the injustice done him in 1934. He was also the recipient of Festschriften and other high academic honors.

Mr. Epstein's first and major contribution was to the field of early modern Russian administrative history, where his edition (Hamburg, 1930) of Heinrich von Staden's manuscript on the subject "Aufzeichnungen über den Moskauer Staat" is still considered fundamental. Much of his later work was in modern diplomatic history, especially German foreign policy, and he will be remembered in particular as an innovative and tireless critic, combining German thoroughness with American pragmatism in almost unbelievable productivity—about 250 publications survive. He also made a major contribution to the Library of Congress by being first to provide intensive and effective maintenance and development of its German collections.

Mr. Epstein will be remembered not only for his professional achievements, but for his unwavering willingness to help a friend or colleague.

John Kozar Reaches 20-Year Mark

John Kozar, assistant materials development officer in the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS/BPH), received a 20-year pin on February 29. The presentation was made by Frank Kurt Cylke, director, and Henry Paris, assistant chief for materials development of NLS/BPH.

Mr. Kozar began his Federal service in February 1960 as an office assistant to Senator Jacob Javits. He came to the Library in 1962, where he held various clerical and administrative positions in the former Aerospace and Technology and the Central Services Divisions. He joined the NLS/BPH staff in 1968 as assistant to the head of the Business Administration Section. He later became head of that section.

Mr. Kozar completed his undergraduate work at George Washington University in 1975, receiving a bachelor's degree in business administration. He is currently enrolled at Catholic University, where he will be a candidate for a master's degree in library science next year.

Field Director Michael Albin Will Spend Year in Washington

Michael W. Albin, field director of the Library's Office in Cairo, Egypt, since 1976, returned to Washington, D.C., recently to spend this year working in several different units of the Library, including the Overseas Operations, Exchange and Gift, and African and Middle Eastern Divisions. This experience will allow Mr. Albin to refresh his acquaintance with the Library's operations at home and to share his knowledge of publishing activities in the Middle East. During Mr. Albin's absence, the Cairo office will be under the supervision of a part-time acting director, Norman Douglas Nicol, an Islamic historian and numismatist working in the Middle East on a project for the Smithsonian Institution.

The Library's office in Cairo is responsible for the preparation for publication of *Accessions List: Middle East* and the acquisition, cataloging, and shipment to the United States of publications from Egypt and other Arabic-speaking countries in the Middle East and Northern Africa. The Library of Congress and some two dozen major research institutions receive sets of publications under the National Program for Acquisitions and Cataloging.

Since January 1979, the publication of the *Accessions List* for Middle Eastern acquisitions has taken place in Karachi, Pakistan, but copy for the list is still prepared in Cairo. Requests for the *Accessions List: Middle East* should be directed to Field Director-LOC, American Consulate General, Abdullah Haroon Road, Karachi, Pakistan. Questions about cataloging matters should be addressed to the Field Director, Library of Congress Office, American Embassy, Cairo, Arab Republic of Egypt.

The Library of Congress Office in Cairo has remained busy because of the publishing activity in the now more stabilized region. The staff of 30 shipped just over a quarter-million pieces to the United States in the past year, and while the number of copies forwarded is lower than in previous years, the pace of acquisitions—the number of titles acquired—has remained the same.

A native of Gary, Ind., Mr. Albin earned a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Notre Dame in 1964 and master's degrees from the University of Chicago in international relations in 1972 and in library science in 1973. Under a fellowship from the Center for Arabic Studies Abroad, he studied Arabic at the American University in Cairo from 1971 to 1972.

He served with the Peace Corps in Afghanistan in 1964-66 and subsequently taught English in Iraq. In 1972-73, he worked at the University of Chicago Library cataloging Persian materials; from there he went to the Cleveland Public Library for a year as cataloger and Middle East subject specialist at the John Griswold White Department of Folklore, Orientalia and Chess.

Mr. Albin is a member of the Middle East Librarians Association (president, 1975-76), the Middle East Studies Association, the American Oriental Society, and the Afghanistan Studies Society.

Talk on JMMB Move Scheduled

The Reference Information Exchange Group will meet in the Whittall Pavilion on April 28 from noon to 1 p.m. Ramifications of the move to the James Madison Memorial building will be the principal subject discussed at the brown bag luncheon meeting, which is open to all staff members.

Staff members may choose to attend on their lunch periods but any additional time, including transit time, requires advance supervisory approval based on workload determination.

Personnel Changes

Apointments: Elizabeth Bazan, legislative attorney, GS-11, CRS A, 91065; Gregory Blaine, messenger-clerk, GS-2, Cat Mgmt, 00075; David Blake, deck attendant, GS-3, Ser, GR-103; Donald Jarrett, laborer, WG-3, Bldgs, AM-111B; Albert Kulle, laborer, WG-3, Bldgs, AM-111B; Walter S. Measday IV, trainee searcher-filer (editor), GS-5, Cat Publ, 91031; Harold Nakao, book preparation assistant, GS-3, Preserv, 91132; Fred Sissine, analyst in science and technology, GS-9, CRS S, 00010; Lula Williams, janitor, WG-1, Bldgs, AM-107.

Temporary Appointments: Angel Abreau, library aid, GS-3, CRS L, 91063; Wyman L. Colona, Jr., deck attendant, GS-3, Col Mgmt, GR-113; Mary Edsall, reference files assistant (trainee), GS-3, CRS L, NP; Frances Gilman, bibliographer, GS-9, CRS L, NP; Linnea Hamer, deck attendant, GS-3, Col Mgmt, GR-113; Virginia Harris, reference librarian, GS-11, CRS C, 91066; Linda Lee, deck attendant, GS-3, Col

Mgmt, GR-113; Thomas Smith, Jr., library aid, GT-1, Photodup, NP; Wanda Stewart, deck attendant, GS-3, Col Mgmt, GR-113; Stephen Terravecchia, deck attendant, GS-3, Col Mgmt, GR-113.

Temporary Reappointment: Joanne Zich, reference specialist (political science), GS-12, GRR 00072.

Transfers: Madeleine Maillet, NUCPP, to processing assistant, GS-7, Share Cat, NP; Willie Sims, NUCPP, to bibliographer, GS-7, E&G, NP.

Resignations: Mordechai Pinkasovic, CRS F; Anthony White, CRS A.

April Events

Thursday, April 3
Friday, April 4

The Juilliard String Quartet and clarinetist Stanley Drucker will perform works by Beethoven, Brahms, and Kodaly. In the Coolidge Auditorium at 8 p.m. A limited number of tickets will be distributed free to staff members through the WRA Office beginning the preceding Friday. Tickets are also distributed through Patrick Hayes, 1330 G St. N.W., beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Monday of that week.

Monday, April 7

Poetry reading given by John Peck and Ellen Bryant Voigt. In the Coolidge Auditorium at 8 p.m. No tickets are required.

Thursday, April 10
Friday, April 11

The Juilliard String Quartet and pianist Gilbert Kalish will perform works by Beethoven, Brahms, and Mozart. In the Coolidge Auditorium at 8 p.m. Ticket information given above (April 3).

Saturday, April 12

The 37th Annual White House News Photographers Exhibit opens in the Lower Level Gallery until September 2.

Thursday, April 17

The topic of the Scholars Committee Colloquium will be "Montessori's Legacy to Children." In the Woodrow Wilson Room at 2:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 17
Friday, April 18

The Juilliard String Quartet will perform works by Bartók, Beethoven, and Haydn. In the Coolidge Auditorium at 8 p.m. Ticket information given above (April 3).

Friday, April 18

Deadline for income tax assistance. For further information, call the tax office on ext. 78038.

Monday, April 21

An evening of Australian poetry will be provided by Vincent Buckley, David Malouf, and Les Murray. In the Coolidge Auditorium at 8 p.m. No tickets are required.

Tuesday, April 22

"Belgium: An Independent State," an exhibit celebrating the 150th anniversary of Belgian independence opens. In the Great Hall and Mezzanine Galleries through June 2.

Friday, April 25

The Juilliard String Quartet with pianist Nadia Reisenberg will perform works by Beethoven, Fauré, and Mendelssohn. In the Coolidge Auditorium at 8 p.m. Ticket information given above (April 3).

Tuesday, April 29

In honor of *Belgium Today* observance, Christine D'haen will read her poems. In the Coolidge Auditorium at 8 p.m. No tickets are required.

Staff members who wish to attend programs or other events taking place during their normal working hours should consult their supervisors.

APPENDIX

Reports on the Midwinter Meeting of the American Library Association
Chicago, Ill., January 20-25, 1980

Government Documents Round Table

FDTF SuDocs Numbers Study Group

This study group of the Federal Documents Task Force met on January 21. In the absence of a continuing chair, Karlo Mustonen, Utah State University, agreed to lead the discussion at this meeting.

Phil Van de Voorde, Iowa State University, reviewed and summarized the position papers presented at the last Annual Conference by the subgroup studying the philosophy of archival arrangement of Federal documents in libraries. A conservative consensus on the basic usefulness of the SuDocs classification system as an application of this philosophy was evident. Genuine questions remain, however, on the extent to which it is useful and helpful to other libraries for the GPO library, in assigning classification numbers, to attempt to reflect the hierarchy of provenance beyond the second organizational level of the issuing agency, and to what extent it serves any useful purpose to change the numbers in an attempt to reflect governmental reorganizations. There seems to be a strong but not total consensus toward the negative in both cases among the librarians who have expressed opinions in the year and a half of the group's existence.

A new development in the area of SuDocs numbers distracted the group from proceeding with consideration of these questions or with the results of the other subgroups' efforts with item numbers and agency-ascribed series numbers. The GPO library will soon begin assigning SuDocs numbers to the Serial Set, and to its component unbound issues of House and Senate Reports and Documents, and to the microfiche edition. There was great concern for the adequacy and coherence of the class structure proposed for these materials, and a lively and somewhat disorganized discussion ensued in the remaining time. It was decided that Judy Myers, University of Houston, and Tae Moon Lee, SUNY Albany, would draft a proposal for a classification schedule for the Serial Set, its components and editions, and present it for discussion at the meeting of the Acquisition and Bibliographic Control Committee the following day.

Barbara Smith, Skidmore College, remains in charge of the subgroup studying item numbers in the depository process. Sylvia Malamud is unable to continue with the subgroup studying agency-ascribed series numbers in the SuDocs system, and Judy Myers agreed to take over that task. Interested persons may direct their comments or volunteer energies in these areas either to Barbara Smith or Judy Myers. [*Everett Johnson*]

Documents Cataloging Manual Committee

This committee met all day Sunday, January 20. It was a working meeting cochaired by Bernadine Hoduski, coordinator, and Sue Ellen Sloca, editor of the manual.

The manual, to be published by the American Library Association, is designed to be used in conjunction with AACR 2 in the cataloging of documents. The book's organization will parallel that of AACR 2. Publication of the manual is projected for June.

The major effort of the meeting was a review of a draft of chapter 24, "Headings for Corporate Bodies." Some of the highlights included discussion of the amount of hierarchy to include in corporate headings, the use of qualifiers, and an attempt to determine a working definition of the key phrase "predominantly identified." A concern of the group is that government bodies that are entered under their own names are not easily recognizable as government bodies. It was concluded, however, that the solution to this problem probably lies in a change of the rules themselves, not in any interpretation of the rules as written.

In addition, some time was spent in reviewing chapter 1, "General Rules for Description." This included a discussion of the different levels of cataloging and the use of general material designations.

The group as a whole will have at least one meeting in Washington, D.C., before the ALA Annual Conference this summer. [*Suzanne Liggett*]

Miscellaneous Meetings

Library and Information Technology Association
Library Automation and MARC Users Discussion Groups

This LITA group on library automation met on January 20. The chair, Patricia Earnest, Brodart Inc., introduced the program and distributed a speakers' list as a means for contacting the individuals presenting reports.

The informal reporting session covered a wide range of automation projects including such topics as the White House Conference, changing from a shared computer to a dedicated one, strategy for soliciting a COM catalog bid with a minimum budget for preparing the bid, a free automated circulation system from a cable television company, a phased five-year

conversion project, a bilingual (Spanish/English) subject authority project, public library patron use of home computers, integrated on-line systems, patron access to an on-line union catalog, linking networks and bibliographic service activities. Questions followed the individual reports.

A similar program is planned for the ALA Annual Conference this summer in New York City.

The topic for discussion at the January 20 meeting of the LITA MARC Users Discussion Group was "The MARC Standard: Institutional Perspectives and Requirements." Chair William Mathews of Information Systems introduced the four speakers: David Weisbrod, Yale University; Eleanor Montague, University of California at Riverside; Lucia Rather, Library of Congress; and James Rush, OCLC, Inc.

David Weisbrod set the tone for the discussion by stating that MARC involves a galaxy of standards promulgated by numerous institutions covering the structure, content designation, and bibliographic content of MARC records. The present de facto responsibility for format standard may have resulted from the practical needs for change.

The second speaker, Eleanor Montague, described the mechanisms for change that have developed since the inception of the MARC Distribution Service. The original MARC users were individual institutions. Acting on behalf of ALA, the MARBI Committee (RTSD/LITA/RASD Representation in Machine-Readable Form of Bibliographic Information) became the mechanism for change by reviewing proposed changes and by advising the Library of Congress on automation.

With the change from individual institutional users to networks of users and the increased volume of changes to be reviewed, timeliness of response became a problem. The Library of Congress decided to broaden user input to include the networks and to reserve final say for itself.

MARBI continues to review format changes and to advise the Library of Congress on MARC but is working to improve the present situation. If funding can be provided, MARBI meetings could be scheduled to meet with the networks four times a year rather than the present two times a year.

Lucia Rather described the development of MARC from the perspective of the Library of Congress. She emphasized the fact that since the initial MARC Pilot Project, the Library has tried to consult the library community as widely as possible. The MARC II format was designed by members of the library community and the Library of Congress working together. The Library sought a formal mechanism for soliciting user input during the early period of the MARC Distribution Service. The MARBI Committee accepted this responsibility. As changes increased in volume and users became part of networks, the Library decided to expand user input to include networks but to reserve for itself the final say.

After 10 years of changes in the MARC formats, the need for a general review led the Library of Congress to contract David Weisbrod to study the MARC formats in the light of making them less specific to the Library of Congress and more compatible with the broad user community. A working group representing the library community is assisting with this review. The final draft will be widely distributed in hopes of receiving maximum response.

James Rush, the final speaker, emphasized that the end users, the utilities, and the standard-making bodies should not serve as an excuse for preventing change. Change must be possible as it is crucial. Unnecessary change is what is to be resisted. Standards must clearly separate content designation from structure. A formal mechanism for establishing and modifying standards is needed.

The MARC review working group is charged with reviewing all aspects of MARC. A number of changes will be recommended. A mechanism should then be set in motion to insure standardization of the MARC formats.

Questions and discussions followed the individual presentations. The meeting ended with an announcement of a proposed additional discussion group on machine data bases for which a petition was being circulated. [*Barbara Roland*]

LAMA Personnel Administration Section
Staff Development Committee

The primary business of the January 21-23 meetings of this committee of the Library Administration and Management Association was to finalize plans for the Staff Development Workshop to be presented Sunday morning, June 29, at ALA's Annual Conference. The workshop will concentrate on fundamentals, with the keynote address delivered by Barbara Convoy, author of *Library Staff Development and Continuing Education*. Following the keynote, each participant will have a choice among four discussion groups: "Management Training" with Deanna Marcum, "On-the-Job Training" with Roger Parent, "Performance Evaluations and Staff Development" with Andrea Hawkins, and "Needs Assessment" with Sheila Creth.

Another item of business concerned the letter sent to state library agencies offering the committee's support for state or regional staff development efforts. Only one state agency responded. The offer was picked up, however, by an RASD committee charged with developing a regional "Prototype Workshop on

Performance Improvement for Reference Librarians." The Staff Development Committee established a liaison with the RASD Workshop Committee and promised support following the Staff Development Workshop in June.

The staff development column in the *LAMA Newsletter,* which provides citations and annotations of recent articles on staff development topics from nonlibrary literature, has received generous support from the newsletter editor. A committee was formed to continue and expand this column and to consider the possibility of a topic-oriented approach. This committee may also coordinate efforts to update the 1976 bibliography on staff development, now for sale by LAMA.

Finally, Barbara Convoy reported on the progress of the continuing education resolution (Council Document No. 9), which emanated from a broad-based ALA policy development forum in December. The proposal involves the establishment of a continuing education office at ALA headquarters. ALA currently has no central mechanism for coordinating and encouraging continuing education of its membership, while other similar organizations—such as the Special Libraries Association and the Modern Languages Association—apparently have well-developed mechanisms for this purpose. Such an office could have impact on the Staff Development Committee and other divisions of ALA with continuing education concerns. It was not clear if Council would get to this agenda item before the close of the Midwinter Meeting. [*Susan M. Tarr*]

CLENE

The CLENE (Continuing Library Education Network and Exchange) Recognition Task Force met on Tuesday morning, January 22. The present members of the task force are Henriette Avram, Library of Congress; Susan Mahmoodi, Minnesota State Library; James Nelson, University of Wisconsin; Peggy O'Donnell, American Library Association; Ruth Patrick, Wayne State University; Ruth Person, Catholic University of America; Elizabeth Stone, Catholic University of America; Travis Tyer, Illinois State Library; and Blanche Woolls, University of Pittsburgh. Also present at the meeting were Micki Jo Young, private consultant, and William Asp, chair, and Gary Purcell, member, of the National Council for Quality Continuing Education.

The principal agenda item was a discussion of the CLENE Voluntary Continuing Recognition Service for Continuing Education. This program was designed for individuals working in or with libraries and information or media centers interested in the maintenance of a record of their efforts in continuing their education as well as the recognition of these efforts through a statement of acknowledgment. The recordkeeping and acknowledgment service is to be carried out in cooperation with the American College Testing (ACT) National Registry.

As part of the Recognition Service program, a Council on Quality Continuing Library Education: Information-Library-Media Program had been established with Micki Jo Young appointed as principal investigator for the council to establish the policy, procedures, and guidelines for insuring quality continuing education.

Briefings were given on various tasks and prior assignments by participating members and included an update on the Quality Continuing Education project, budget considerations, and the recordkeeping and acknowledgment service draft information booklet.

Mr. Asp recommended, and it was decided, that the Recognition Task Force remain active for another year to provide support and guidance for the Recognition Service. It was also decided that the council continue for another year. [*Henriette D. Avram*]

Resources and Technical Services Division

Bookdealer Library Relations Committee

This committee of the Resources Section, chaired by Susan Harrison, Free Library of Philadelphia, met on January 20 with announcements heading the agenda. The second LITA (Library and Information Technology Association of ALA) Institute on Automated Acquisitions Systems will take place May 19-20 in Vancouver, B.C. Registration forms can be obtained from LITA. Lucille Gordon announced further details of the ALA Acquisitions Preconference to be held June 26-28 on the NYU campus in New York City. "Acquisitions for the 80's" will deal with the issues of the 1980s including technology and the proliferation of publications which will impact publishers, distributors, and libraries in the coming decade. Registration information will be available in late March.

Sandra Paul reported on the Book Industry Tours which will be held on July 2 during the Annual Conference. This event is jointly cosponsored by the Association of American Publishers and this committee. More than 60 firms have agreed to be host to the tours, including a book manufacturer, publishing warehouses, publishing firms, and wholesalers. Participants will be required to register in advance to be included in groups which will visit a selected number of firms.

Old business on the agenda was headed once more by the father and son team from Michigan and California who continue to add imprints to their already

lengthy list of publishing firms which do not always supply as promised. They continue to promote actively their publications and now are including microforms and expanding their range to foreign markets. The firms' brochures continue to be aimed at supplying expensive sets on topical subjects offering substantial discounts if prepayment accompanies the order. There is active litigation regarding claims by libraries for nonreceipt although a few libraries have recently reported receiving cash refunds from the California branch of the business. The committee will issue a press release to international library associations and publications alerting them to this problem.

Macmillan withdrew its plans to continue to produce the *Current Index to Journals in Education*. Macmillan originally was going to publish the index independently although the contract was awarded to Oryx Press last year by ERIC.

Dimi Berkner of Taylor Carlisle reported on an item referred to the committee regarding two publishers who were forwarding orders received from libraries to wholesalers. She was happy to report that her investigations showed that the problem was resolved even before the firms were contacted. Putnam had a flood in their warehouse and could fill no orders; thus, they referred the orders they received to a wholesaler with a large stock. When their problem was resolved, they no longer referred their orders. The problem at Abrams resulted from a trade order backlog due to the installation of a new computer which affected their distribution system. Abrams will no longer be forwarding orders to the wholesaler. They will continue to return single copy orders to libraries unless accompanied by prepayment.

It was announced that Maruzen, a Japanese publisher, has published translations into Japanese of the committee's Acquisitions Guidelines after receiving publication rights from ALA.

The committee has received complaints about publishers that bind paperback editions into hard covers of varying quality and market them as "cloth" or "library" editions. Library binding is generally defined as a reinforced cloth binding but the covers being sold with this decription often do not meet the specifications. The Book Industry Study Group will investigate the issue.

William Schenck, head of acquisitions, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, read a report he had prepared about the Publishing Unit of the American Library Association. Mr. Schenck identified three problem areas in acquiring publications from ALA. In the area of order fulfillment, Mr. Schenck detailed problems of incorrectly filled orders. The second problem area discussed was the prepayment requirement for orders under $10. Almost 60 percent of the titles published by ALA require prepayment and many new titles listed are not priced. Mr. Schenck outlined the difficulties libraries face in making prepayments. The third problem identified was that of the lack of centralized distribution for the publications of the ALA divisions, roundtables, and committees.

Donald Stewart, director of ALA Publishing, was present to react to Mr. Schenck's remarks. In the area of incorrect delivery of items, internal steps will be taken to improve efficiency. The prepayment policy will be reconsidered with the possibility of making a distinction between orders from individuals and orders from institutions. Mr. Stewart thought a variation of a standing order or deposit account would be a good approach. In the area of distribution, Mr. Stewart cautioned that ephemera might go up in price with centralized distribution. He also felt it was more democratic to let the autonomous units handle their own distribution. In the present system, when an order arrives, Publishing Services fills their orders and then passes photocopies of the order on to the divisions for the fulfillment of the remainder. A new edition of the *ALA Checklist* edited by Joel Lee was to be available on February 15 for $5 from the ALA Order Department. This is an inventory of all items available from ALA. [*Linda Pletzke*]

Resources Section Library Materials Price Index Committee

Chaired by Sally Williams of Harvard College Library, this committee met on Monday and Wednesday mornings, January 21 and 23. At the first meeting, reports were made by several consultants to the committee on the status of indexes in preparation. As reported in the September 3, 1979, issue of *Publishers' Weekly*, final figures for the U.S. Hard Cover Book Index indicated less than a 1-percent increase in 1978 average price per volume over 1977. With the preliminary figures for calendar year 1979, however, the average price of hard-cover volumes published in the United States has risen 13 percent (from $20.10 to $22.80). A preliminary survey of 1980 subscription prices of U.S. periodicals indicates that the increase for 1980 over 1979 is 10.1 percent. The first compilation of an index of the prices of U.S. newspapers and the latest edition of the U.S. Library Microfilm Rate Index have been submitted for publication in *Library Resources & Technical Services*. A tentative plan for collecting price trend information for U.S. books collected by academic and research libraries was also discussed. Fred Lynden of Brown University Library reported on the status of revision of the ANSI Standard "Criteria for Price Indexes for Library Materials" (ANSI Z39.20), published in 1974. Knut Dorn of the firm of Otto Harrassowitz in Wiesbaden, West Germany, solicited suggestions from the committee on how to compile data on the cost of current German periodicals that would be useful for price index compilations.

The second meeting was devoted to a discussion of a draft statement on the role and responsibilities of consultants to the committee. The draft was approved with several revisions. [*Robert C. Sullivan*]

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